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LOCAL HISTORY.

Maj. Amos Hills, His Residence in Bethel.

Incidental Memoranda—By Leonard B. Chapman. Number 94.

IN THREE PARTS—PART FIRST.

Amos Hills was a man of sterling parts, firm in the right as his name indicates. He was the recipient of two titles, that of "Major" because he was really thus in the militia, and "Esquire" because he was a Justice of the Peace. In my reference to him I propose to use that of Major because the term was in his day less common than that of Esquire. If Bethel had a "Hall of Fame" his name would do honor to a niche, but as it has not such a praiseworthy record, not even a Hall of Antiquities, it seems that a connected, though perhaps a brief account of the man may serve to perpetuate and make more general the knowledge of his name. He and his wife never thought when they were conducting their epistolary correspondence, now more than a century, since, with their relatives in Newbury, they were writing chapters of the history of their adopted town that would be preserved and when the searchlights of scrutiny should be turned onto the past their correspondence would be seized with avidity and preserved in print.

When Major Hills first visited Bethel it was as a municipality in its infancy but the date of the event is not known. He was by occupation a house carpenter with a knowledge of farming, and was cheap and there was a demand for skilled labor, and the opportunity presenting itself was accepted. He had a wife and children but he made his first land purchase before his family came; the conveyance to the town home being a cart drawn by oxen. He located on what is now known as the Southern place, located between the Durban farm, which was originally the Lieut. Jonathan Clark farm, and the present site of the steam mill upon the northerly side of the road from the covered bridge over the Androscoggin river and West Bethel, in other words, between the road and the river, between these two places, but considerably nearer the bridge than West Bethel. He furnishes the date of the erection of the West Parish Congregational meeting house which he and another contracted to build—a date not found anywhere else, that was located a few rods south westerly from the south westerly corner of the corner of bridge in the pasture lot containing a small part of the Dea. Samuel Barker estate in Bethel. His diary that appeared two months after his death that reflects evidently his real character, a copy of the original now being preserved in the archives of the Maine Historical Society, I propose to reproduce in the Citizen, and show by whom the letters in which reference is here made have been preserved, and how curious the way a knowledge of their existence became known to Bethel, as other historical facts are often thus found.

It was not astute that a well-upon middle aged man, when the son was disappearing behind the west end hills of the town, called at the residence of Mr. Algernon Sidney Chapman—who resided within a stone's throw of the site of the West Parish Congregational meeting house—and reproached the structure—and informed Mr. Chapman that his own wife was a cousin to the gentleman whom he was addressing. Then there was a comparison of genealogical notes when it was apparent the "stranger" within the gates was correct. He

ONE OF THE COMING EVENTS.

Anticipated With Much Pleasure by the People of Canton.

From the present outlook the "Concert of Nations" will eclipse any entertainment that has been given here for a long time. As new attractions are being announced our people are becoming more and more interested, and with so many features there will be plenty to interest and entertain, and a packed house is sure to be the result.

The large chorus is rehearsing weekly, and a rich treat is in store for all music loving people. The chorus embraces our best local talent as well as from the vicinity and the rehearsals are much enjoyed. Towle's orchestra is to furnish music for the event. Nearly all the special parts have been assigned and much rehearsing is in order. Mrs. Gladys Russell is the piano accompanist and Miss Louise Staples will play for the chorus. A ladies quartette will take part, composed of Mrs. Wadlin, Miss Vining, Mrs. Mendall and Miss Oliver. A feature of the entertainment will be the appearance of the famous "Uncle Josh Perkins Orchestra" from Hackberry Corner. The following typical characters will be presented:—

French Maid, Mrs. Esther Marston
Irish Lass, Mrs. Ethel Potter
Tambourine Girl, Mrs. Louise Staples
Scotch Lassie, Miss Madeline Jagersoll
Mexican Maid, Daughter of the Regiment,
Gypsy Maid, Miss Hazel Hutchinson
Miss Sara Vining
Marie D'Esne
Miss Alice Oliver
Jeanne Dubois
Mrs. Gladys Russell
Miss Mary Barker
Gypsy Maid, Miss Hazel Hutchinson

gave his name as Eugene Long McNaught, of East Falls Church, Virginia, married Emma Lizzie Tenney, daughter of Mary Lizzie Chase, and granddaughter of Joseph Chase, who was a brother to Mrs. Mary (Chase) Hills who was the maternal grandmother to Mr. Algernon Chapman; that he was in the employment of the U. S. Government and with the assistance of another was climbing to the summits of the numerous hills of the region and upon placing a white flag on each preparatory to a survey by other officials who would complete the work from the signals placed; that his wife possessed a package of well preserved letters, more than a century old, for which he would read and allow his "wife's cousin" to use whatever they contained worth preserving by printing. In due time the package was received in Bethel and is now before the writer.

BASKET BALL.

Morse High Defeats Gould's 21 to 14—Gould's Girls Win from Berlin High 15 to 10.

Last Friday evening brought something of a disappointment to our local basket ball enthusiasts. For three long years we have relied upon the Gould's quintette to afford us the opportunity to wave the flag of victory at the conclusion of their engagements regardless of the aggregation that they have been up against. But once in all that time have they disappointed us. Hence, though last Friday saw them bunched with the famous Morse High outfit, none of the supporters entertained the slightest concern as to the result.

But we all got stung. At the first toss of the ball the visitors were onto their feet, and one, two, three baskets were chalked to their credit before we had realized what was taking place. But this did not shake the confidence of the local rooters, all realized that our boys had not gotten into the game and were positive that they would when they gained their equilibrium and then it would be a horse of another color.

They did recover to some extent during the last part of the first half but not as we had anticipated, and at the "time up" while the score for the first half was 13 to 9 in favor of the visitors.

The second half brought no reversal in the complexion of things, and the final score was 21 to 14 in favor of Morse High.

The visiting team was a good bunch of boys who knew basket ball from A to Z and the game was a good clean game but we think it is fair to say that though victory was wrested from the home team, yet, everything considered Gould's has the best team and should have won. Our boys seemed to have lost their nerve from the start and were not able to recover. Again they were exceedingly unlucky, (and there is always an element of luck in basket ball) while their opponents were decidedly lucky. The Gould's team had the ball more than their share of the time but failed to connect it with the basket.

The line up: Gould's: Gould, 1 f., Brown, 1 f., Young, 1 f., Allen, 1 f., Baker, 1 f., Bennett, 1 g., Thompson, 1 g. (Goal from field—Brown 1, (and it was a beauty.) Young 1, Allen 1, Baker 1, Goodman 4, Thompson 3, Goals from foul, Allen 2, Baker 2. Referee, Reed and Smith. Timekeeper, or, Lawler. Score, Davis.

Gould's Girls: Gould's 1 f., Brown, 1 f., Young, 1 f., Allen, 1 f., Baker, 1 f., Bennett, 1 g., Thompson, 1 g. (Goal from field—Kling 1, Brown 1, Packard 1, G. Robertson 1, Gould 1, Referee, Walker and Martyn. Timekeeper, Lawler. Score, Davis.

LIFELONG RESIDENT OF OXFORD COUNTY.

Passed Away at His Home in Mexico Last Week.

Henry W. Park, who died at his home in Mexico, last Friday morning was an old and widely known citizen of Oxford County. He was born in Dixfield, March 13th, 1834, but in early manhood removed to Mexico, where he established himself in business and has lived continuously to the time of his death. For more than forty years and up to some two years ago when failing health compelled him to give up active work, he has conducted a general store at Mexico Corner and for many years was postmaster at that place. During the war he occupied a position in the Ordnance Office at Washington. During the larger part of his residence at Mexico he was treasurer of the town. In 1870 he represented the Mexico district in the Legislature. He was a Republican of the old school when party meant something to men and he was always devoted to the interests of his party, giving to it his support in all ways and at all times. He was for many years a familiar figure at all the party conventions and an active participant in them. He was public spirited and generously gave of his time and money for the upbuilding and improvement of his town. Sympathetic in his nature, he liberally contributed toward the help of the needy and no one ever went from him empty-handed in the time of trouble. In religion he was a Universalist, but so broad was his belief that it was not limited to denomination. There being no church of his faith at Mexico when a movement was made a few years ago to build a Congregational Church at that place, he entered heartily into the project and was one of those most active in its building. Being one of the principal contributors in time and money in its erection. He was a constant attendant and worker in this church after its completion, up to the time when his health would not permit him to attend. He was devoted in his friendship for Rev. Mr. Fisher, the pastor of this church, for many years.

Mr. Park was married first to Miss Eleanor Phelps, of Dixfield, and two children were born of this marriage, Albert H. Park, now Register of Probate and residing at South Paris, and Mrs. Ella P. Richards, who lives at Mexico. His second wife was Miss Eleanor Reed, of Mexico, and they had one son, Ellery C. Park, now a member of the law firm of Herrick & Park, at Bethel, Me. His third wife was Miss Emma L. Gleason, of Mexico, who survives him, and of this marriage, there were born four children, all of whom are married and reside at Rumford and Mexico.

The funeral was held from the Congregational Church at Mexico, on Sunday last. Rev. Mr. Fisher officiated, assisted by Rev. E. H. Harbison, pastor of the Universalist Church at Rumford. It was a Masonic funeral, and a large body of that order attended. Mr. Park was also a member of Tuxton Lodge of Odd Fellows and several of that order were present at the funeral. Although the weather was bad and the travelling prevented many from coming, the church was filled. There were many beautiful floral offerings including pieces from the different orders, and from many friends and relatives. The interment was in the new cemetery between Mexico and Dixfield.

FOR SALE—1 No. 2 Oliver type writer in first class condition. At a bargain. Inquire of E. P. LYON, Bethel, Maine.

ANNIVERSARY OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

On Sunday afternoon at four o'clock at the Baptist, Rumford, was observed the 30th anniversary of the founding of Christian Endeavor. The young people's societies of all the churches were invited to be present and a large delegation from each church was there.

The united choir furnished the music. The service was opened by a prayer offered by Rev. E. B. Barber, Miss Charlotte French read the scriptures and Mr. W. S. N. Ellingwood, Supt. of Schools presided over the meeting. Mr. Leon Reynolds of Mexico read a most excellent paper on "The Birth and Growth of Christian Endeavor," and Mr. Holman of Smith's Crossing read a paper on the work of the Christian Endeavor; these were followed by a talk by Miss Kathryn Brown on "Modern Christian Endeavor," which was greatly appreciated by all. Miss Louise Staples and Miss Jeanne Moore both sang solos which were most excellently rendered and added much to the impressiveness of the service. Mr. Hanson pronounced the benediction.

A MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

A very singular thing has occurred at Rumford Center, and one which has caused the people of that vicinity to do considerable thinking and searching. About three weeks ago a young fellow about nineteen years old, coming from Dixfield, and by name Clifton Kennistown, passed through Rumford Center on his way across Red Hill to the camp of Ed. Martin, located somewhere near the base of White Cap Mountain. The boy started on his way and nothing further was thought about the matter until about a week after Mr. Martin was at the center, and was inquiring about the lad and then it was learned that he had not shown up and that his people had heard nothing of him, believing all the time that he was at Mr. Martin's camp.

A searching party was organized and set out to look for the boy, but was unable to find any trace of him. It is feared that he lost his way and has died somewhere in the hills. Another party was to have started on Tuesday searching for him, but was delayed on account of the storm. Every means is being undertaken to locate the young fellow.

SONS OF VETERANS' BALL.

One of the coming events which has become an annual event to be anticipated with pleasure, by many in Bethel and vicinity is the Sons of Veterans ball which will occur in Odessa Hall on Wednesday evening, Feb. 23. The Odessa Orchestra of Bethel, N. H., appears in Bethel for the first time, for this occasion, and should be a drawing card. No effort will be spared by those who have this affair in charge to make it one of the most pleasing social events of the season. Come and enjoy the best ball of the season and incidentally help a worthy order.

BERLIN HIGH VS GOULD'S.

And that Berlin game is to be pulled off yet. It is scheduled for Friday evening, Feb. 17, and you may depend upon it there will be something doing at the gym that night. Berlin claims the New Hampshire championship, they have won one game from Gould's and claim this one but Gould's says

Against the System. Clerk to Prisoners—hold up your head. Prisoner—Wisey. It was telling a man to hold up his hat owned his trouble.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines 1 week, 25c. 3 wks. 50c.

PINK AND GREEN TOURMALINE—Very fine and for sale very cheap. Inquire of HARRY DUDLEY, Buckfield, Me.

FOR SALE—7 H. P. Fairbanks gasoline engine in first class condition. Also 75 light dynamo, 5 h. p. motor and 1-2 h. p. motor. Any or all will be sold at a bargain. Address, E. C. Bowler, Bethel, Maine.

SECOND HAND REFRIGERATOR WATER MOTOR at a bargain. Will develop 3 h. p. at 80 pounds pressure. Inquire at Citizen Office Bethel, Me.

FOR SALE—second hand engines from one and a half to twenty-five horse power. Inquire of C. L. DAVIS, Bethel, Me. 11-17-11.

SALESMEN WANTED to look after our interest in Oxford and adjacent counties. Salary or Commission. Address THE VICTOR OIL COMPANY, Cleveland, Ohio.

LEGAL ADVICE—Send statement of facts and \$1.00 and receive expert written opinions by Boston lawyer. All communications confidential. P. O. Box 1853, Boston, Mass. 1-5-11.

CARLES' HAIR STORE, 518 Congress St., Portland, Maine. Manufacturer of artists human hair goods of every description. Goods sent on approval to responsible parties. 1-11-11.

MANY CHILDREN are sickly. Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children Break up Colds in 24 hours. Relieve Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all druggists. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, New York.

VEAL AND POULTRY WANTED. Prompt Returns. WESTON-THURSTON CO., New Tancill Hall Market, Boston. Shipping tags furnished on application. 1-12-11.

WANTED—A capable girl or woman for housework. Good pay for competent help. Address, X, CITIZEN OFFICE, Bethel, Me. 1-12-11.

FOR SALE—A piano in perfect condition for sale at a bargain. If you need one, inquire at once at CITIZEN OFFICE, Bethel, Me. 1-12-11.

FOR SALE. Handmade Typewriter, good as new. Cheap if sold at once. E. P. LYON, Bethel, Me. 2-2-11.

Hay Wanted. W. J. PHELPS, Chamber of Commerce, Boston, Mass. References: Boston Trust Company. 1-25-11.

BUY Swasey's Premium Tea from your grocer and get a Present with every Pound. If your dealer cannot supply you, write us, and we will supply you direct. E. SWASEY & CO., PORTLAND, MAINE. 1-27-11.



Corsets! Corsets!! Corsets!!!

We are now ready to show you the advanced styles in Corsets for 1911.

We carry in stock a large line of the most reliable and popular makes in several styles. We carry the Nemo, P. N., Royal Worcester and Thompson's Glove Fitting besides Ferris Good Sense Waists for Ladies and Children. Come in and be shown.

We carry a complete line of corsets in extra long, medium, and short to suit all figures. These corsets are made on the same basis as the better corsets and are winning great favor.

In the Nemo we carry several styles at \$3.00 made with the suspender style top for the slender woman, style 210 for the medium and tall figures, made especially for long wear. With "Inflexible Hip" and "Apron Fast."

Style 210 is made in extra long, medium, and short to suit all figures. These corsets are made on the same basis as the better corsets and are winning great favor.

We also have the \$5.00 and \$6.00 models with the suspender band and handkerchief fast for the medium and tall figures. It pays to try Nemo because they are made to wear.

In Royal Worcester we carry the \$3.00 models, all styles to suit all figures from the extra long to the extra short.

In the \$5.00 and \$6.00 models we carry the extra long hip models made of the best materials and easily fitted.

We also carry the P. N. corsets. These corsets are well known and also have long been made to wear.

Style 210 is made of the best materials and easily fitted. The style has the French side, which are double side pieces which slip under the arms and can be removed without sewing. These can be returned to the corset maker for adjustment. Without these adjustments \$3.00.

Style 210 is made of the best materials and easily fitted. With these adjustments \$3.00.

Thompson's Glove Fitting Corsets need no explanation. We carry 5 styles in \$3.00 models. Style 110 has extra long hip and medium high back. Style 111 and 112 are medium height. Style 113 has a very low back, but is quite long below the seat. This style comes in sizes 18 to 24 only.

We also carry the \$5.00 and \$6.00 models in French and Italian.

We have the Ferris Good Sense Waists for children from 6 months to 12 years at 25 cents.

For Nemo style 210 for children and Misses at 50c. Style 211 for Misses made with light boning 75 cents.

Two styles of ladies at \$1.00. These are made of the best materials with long supporters, buttons and clasps.

Thomas Smiley
Norway, Maine.

NORTHWEST BETHEL.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mr. Fred York returned to Lewiston Monday.

Mr. W. J. Wheeler was in Bethel Monday.

Mr. Edw. P. Lyon was in Auburn Monday.

Mr. Coady of Nova Scotia is in Bethel, staying Monday.

Mr. M. L. Thurston was in Berlin, N. H., last Monday.

Mr. J. L. Finney was in Portland on day last week.

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Mr. Paul Thurston was home from his mill in Gorham, over Sunday.

Don't forget the social dance in O'Brien Hall, Friday night.

Miss Katherine Day of Newry is visiting at Mr. M. L. Thurston's.

The Columbian Club will meet with Mrs. Herrick, Friday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

J. P. "Caddy" was called to East Bethel, Monday, by the illness of his mother.

Holla Coolidge has a job hauling wood for James Heston, from Walker's Mills.

Girls' basketball game Wednesday evening between Grosvenor High and Bethel's.

Mr. Ralph Chapman went to Island Pond, Vt., Saturday, to see his brother, Mr. Alden Chapman, who is ill.

Clarence McDonald was one of the Grammar School boys who went to Gorham, Saturday night, to play with the Grammar School boys there.

Mr. J. L. Finney has purchased the electric house wiring business of Merrill, Springfield Co. Mr. Finney is a fine electrician and will wish him success.

Mrs. Ida Barker, who is quite ill, was remembered last Saturday (it being her birthday) by about forty of her friends, who gave her a shower of post cards, by surprise.

Mrs. H. H. Jodrey went to Lewiston to visit her son, Mr. Wm. Cotton, for a few days. She will also visit her sister in Skowhegan, before returning home.

The Bethel Hook and Ladder Company held its annual meeting Feb. 2, and the following officers were elected for 1911: Foreman, Frank Flint; First assistant, Scott Robertson; Second assistant, Fred Holt; Secretary and Treasurer, B. J. French. The village has been quite free from fire during the past year. Only one alarm has been given, and that being for Prospect Hotel, which was but slightly damaged.

BETHEL SCHOOLS.

The schools in town closed for the spring vacation last Friday. The following is the list of non-attendance in the village schools:

Miss Andrews' Room.

Pupils not absent one half day: Harold Bartlett, Laura Cummings, Charles Gorman, Alice Galt, Walter James, Bertha Keady, Willie Kimball, Walter Sturtevant, William Vandenberg, Lenora Wheeler, Marion Wilson.

Absent one day only: Beatrice Walker.

Miss Twaddle's Room.

Pupils not absent one half day: Ruth Brown, Leslie Culpan, Mary Gorman, Virgie Heston, Arthur Heston, Harry Young.

Absent one day only: Gladys Bryant.

Miss Richardson's Room.

Not absent one half day: Catherine Flint, Edward Heston, Kenneth Kimball, Isaac Spauld, Ethel Heston, Howard Heston, Margaret Vandenberg.

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BASKETS.

Entire stock of Work Baskets, Waste Baskets, Flower Baskets, etc. at 20 Per Cent. discount for a short time only.

Odd lots of ladies' and children's hose at reduced price. Ladies' and children's fleeced underwear, 10 per cent. from regular prices.

VALENTINES.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Rumford on the second Tuesday of February, A. D., 1911, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Ayers Mason Edwards late of Cambridge, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, deceased; copy of will with petition for probate thereof presented by Lucinda F. Edwards, the executrix therein named.

Joseph W. Bean late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Susan A. Bean, the executrix therein named.

Leander T. Barker late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Melissa C. Barker, the executrix therein named.

Lawrence L. Seale late of Waterford, deceased; petition that H. M. Hastings or some other suitable person be appointed as administrator of the estate of said deceased, presented by H. M. Hastings.

Charles H. Adams late of Rumford, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Clara H. Adams, administratrix.

Romana C. Lowe late of Andover, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Charles L. Ripley, administratrix with the will annexed.

Herbert W. Cummings late of Bethel, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Frank Cummings, administratrix.

Peter Wheeler late of Bethel, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Ernest A. Wheeler, administratrix.

Joseph Fortier late of Rumford, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Arctus H. Heston, administratrix.

Romana C. Lowe late of Andover, deceased; petition for determination of collateral inheritance tax presented by Charles L. Ripley, administratrix.

Annie E. Cummings late of Bethel, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Frank Cummings, administratrix.

Miriam T. Richards late of Mexico, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Florence L. Richards, widow, and B. Dana Richards, brother.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of John Haggood late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

GEORGE J. HAPGOOD.
January 17th, 1911.
1-20-31.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Emma B. Lary late of Oiled in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

TALLYRAND G. LARY.
January 17th, 1911.
1-20-31.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Mary B. Powers late of Newry in the County of Oxford, deceased. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

Levi M. Powers.
H. H. HASTINGS, Agent.
January 17th, 1911.
2-3-31.

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"Did you see where the railroads are advertising a better train?"
"That must be the one the chaps travel on."—Baltimore American.

CHALLENGE FROM
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W. E. Bosserman is seeking the worst case of dyspepsia or constipation in Bethel or vicinity to test Dr. Howard's new specific for the cure of these diseases.

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In order to secure the quickest possible introduction he will sell a regular fifty cent package of this medicine at half price, 25 cents.

This specific of Dr. Howard's will cure sick headaches, dizziness, constipation, dyspepsia and all forms of malarial and liver trouble. It does not simply give relief for a time; it makes permanent and complete cures.

It will regulate the bowels, tone up the whole intestinal tract, give you an appetite, make food taste good and digest well, and increase vigor. Joy and happiness will take the place of pain. "Don't care whether I live or die."

Jan. 25-Me; Feb. 9.

HEART THRILLING GEMS.

I am wishing for you today,
And wishes are prayers they say.
What wealth of joy, if this be true,
Will surely come dear friend to you.
* * * * *
Fleeth every day and be done with it.
You have done what you could.
Some blunders and absurdities no doubt,
except in; forget them as soon as you can.
* * * * *
Do not look forward to what might happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow, and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.
— St. Francis de Sales.

THE DYING GIRL.
Why does my mother steal away
To hide her struggling tear?
He trembling touch betrays unchecked
The secret of her fear;
My father gazes on my face
With yearning, earnest eye:
And yet there's none among them all
To tell me I must die!

My little sisters press around
My sleepless couch, and bring
With eager hands, their garden gifts,
The first sweet buds of spring:
I wish they'd lay me where those
flowers
Might lure them to my bed.
When other springs and summers
And I am with the dead.

The sunshine quivers on my cheek,
Glistening and gay and fair,
As if it knew my hand too weak
To shade me from its glare!
How soon 'twill fall unheeded on
This death-dew'd glassy eye!
Why do they fear to tell me so?
I know that I must die.

The summer winds breathe softly
through
My lone, still, dreary room;
A lonelier and a stiller one
Awaits me in the tomb!
But no soft breeze will whisper there,
No mother hold my head;
It is a fearful thing to be
A dweller with the dead!

Ever after ere the sun prolongs
His hour of parting light,
And seems to make my farewell hours
Too fair, too heavenly bright!
I know the loveliness of earth,
I love the evening sky;
And yet I should not mourn if
They told me I must die.

My playmates turn aside their heads
When parting with me now;
The nurse that tended me a babe,
Now soothes my aching brow,
Ahl why are these sweet little hours
Of joy and fondling dead?
Not o'er my parents' knees now
Could keep me from the dead.

Our pastor kneels beside me oft,
And talks to me of Heaven;
But with a better vision still
My soul in dreams have driven
I've seen a beckoning hand that called
My faltering steps on high;
I've heard a voice that trumpet-tongued
Bade me prepare to die.

— MRS. C. GORE.

A PILGRIM SONG.

There's but the meager crust, Love,
There's but the measured cup;
On scanty fare we breakfast,
On scanty fare we sup.
Yet be not though discouraged,
Nor falter on the way,
Since Wealth is for a life, Love,
And Want is for a day.
Our shelter oft is rude, Love;
We feel the chilling dew,
And shiver in the darkness,
While all about us shine through
Yet shall we reach our palace,
And there in gladness stay,
Since Home is for a life, Love,
And Travel for a day.

The heart may sometimes ache, Love,
The eyes grow dim with tears;
Slow glide the hours of sorrow,
Slow beats the pulse of fears.
Yet patience with the evil,
For, though the good delay,
Still Joy is for a life, Love,
And pain is for a day.

FRYEBURG.

Mrs. Chas. T. Ladd attended the Dog Show in Portland.
Rev. Mr. Mann of Westbrook has been holding very interesting meetings during the past two weeks.

Mr. Joseph Wiley the popular mail carrier has been ill several weeks, and his son, James, has been driving for him.
Rekley Ballard, Register of Deeds has been quite ill of the grip.

Friday's storm brought the most snow of the season.
Mrs. J. C. Towle, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Mrs. Elmer Hargrave, who with her husband is spending the winter in Los Angeles, Calif., is very sick of rheumatism.
Anne Hachina has been out of school, sick for ten days.

Dr. Twaddle is kept pretty busy, and Dr. John Shedd of Conway is frequently seen in town.

NEWRY.

Lee L. Powers of Los Angeles, California, is visiting at A. H. Powers'. This is Mr. Powers' first visit to Maine during the winter. It must be quite a change from California.

Mrs. Marcia Evans visited relatives in town here last week.
H. R. Powers went to Upton, last Friday, returning Saturday.

Road breaking is the order of the day now.

THE BIRTHDAYS.

We are a numerous family. Of relatives we have a host.
My wife has forty six, of whom she always likes to brag and boast
I have a few, I must admit, not quite as many though, as she,
But when you sum them up it's plain we are a numerous family.
As relatives they are all right—first class relations, I would say—
And some there are who live in town, and some there are who live miles away.
But every week—and here is where I find it hard to practice thrift—I have to dig into my jeans and buy some one a birthday gift.

It's either Cousin Frank or Belle or Auntie Kate or Sister May
Or some one else, it matters not; we love them all, which is the way
To treat relations. One should not neglect them or view them with scorn.
And, loving them it's proper to remember just when they were born.
But every week it seems to me, since time is sore and passing swift,
I have to dig into my jeans and buy some one a birthday gift.

If I should die a poor old man, with out a nickel in the bank,
If as a king of high finance is future years I fail to rack
And if when I am old and gray I still must toil for meager pay,
Don't come to me with good advice and tell me what you used to say.
Reminding me of what I had. Remember I was barred from thrift,
For every week I had to pay the price of some one's birthday gift.
—Detroit Free Press.

Thirty Years Together.

Thirty years of association—think of it. How the merit of a good thing stands out in that time—or the worthlessness of a bad one. So there's no guesswork in this reference of Theo. Arter, Concord, Me., who writes "I have used Dr. King's New Discovery for 30 years, and it's the best cough and cold cure I ever used." Once it made entrance in a home you can't pry it out. Many families have used it for forty years. It's the most infallible throat and lung medicine on earth. Unequalled for croup, whooping cough, fever, croup, quincy, or sore lungs. Price 50c. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Chas. Fernald, Nathan Reynolds of Canby; H. J. Reynolds of Wilton; C. A. Gardner of Dixfield.

NORTH HARTFORD.

Mrs. Frank Oldham is in poor health. Mrs. Emerson Oldham is doing the housework.

Mrs. Julia Thorne, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Sumner, for a week, returned home, Tuesday.

Mrs. Edie Davenport called at Isabel McAllister's, Tuesday afternoon. Charles Clark has purchased a pair of two year old steers of George Corliss.

Snow is deep and roads are poor in this vicinity. The R. E. D. man has a hard time, but gets through every day, somehow.

Wilma Davenport has been unable to attend school for a few days, on account of a severe cold.

Vesta Merrill, who has been stopping in the place a part of the time, has gone to Quincy, Mass., where she has employment doing housework.

John Davenport and George Young have just finished hauling their ice. It was 20 inches thick.

Charles Clark stayed over night with Edwina Thorne, recently.

Grace Stone of Hebron visited her cousin, Edie Davenport, Friday.

Percy Davenport and Stanley Foster have returned from Massachusetts, where they went to work, in October. Francis Sargent bought three real calves of America Benson. He sent two of them to Boston.

Harry Jacobs of Sumner called on his daughter, Mrs. Ethel Farnham, recently.

Stanley Foster visited in the place, from Thursday till Saturday.

BUCKFIELD.

The firm of C. M. & H. A. Irish mill owners and manufacturers of die and cutting blocks at this place and part owners of the die block factory at West Paris operated by Irish and Wardwell, have consolidated the two concerns and formed a stock company with Luther M. Irish of West Paris as treasurer. Mr. Irish will move his family here at once where they will live this winter with Mrs. Irish's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilbingslot. In the spring Mr. Irish will erect a residence on High street. Mr. Herman Wardwell will have charge of the West Paris factory.

Post Master Alfred Cole who has been quite seriously ill the past week is unable to be out although somewhat improved.

Married Tuesday Jan. 31st at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. A. M. Pottle, William P. Jordan of Buckfield and Miss Sarah Reynolds of (Chase Mills) Turner.

Gray's Bohemian Glass Blowers finished a week's stay here Saturday night. Miss Maud Reed received the prize for the best lady dancer, Guy Allen prize for best gentleman dancer. Master Dooling Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shaw, the prize for the most popular child.

Buckfield high school gave the drama, "The Country Doctor," at Turner Center, Friday night. The play was well received by a large audience, one of the pleasing features was the clog dancing of Guy Allen. The play will be given here next Friday night.

Pierre Long, son of Mrs. John D. Long, and a friend are in town on a snow-bounding trip.
Mrs. Dr. E. J. Marston, who has been visiting her parents in Bowser the past month returned home Monday.

LOOKS MILLS.

Mrs. James Crooker is visiting her sister and other relatives at Portland, a few weeks.

Miss Vesta Woods is spending a few weeks with her sister, who lives in Lewiston.

Mr. Fred Bohler, who went to the C. M. O. Hospital at Lewiston, two weeks ago and had his leg amputated, is reported doing nicely.

Mrs. Will Benn, who underwent an operation for appendicitis a week ago at Lewiston received a visit from her sister, Mrs. Frank Cummings, Saturday and is reported very comfortable.

Misses Blanche and Rex Bryant are visiting their uncle at Portland, for two weeks.

Mrs. C. R. Bartlett was in Berlin, N. H., Monday, on business.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1911.

LISTEN TO THE "KNOCKING" BIRD.

Moved and seconded that Bethel
either furnish its residents with
snowshoes or adopt a better pro-
gram for keeping the streets and
sidewalks clear. The snow roll-
er has not done its work as faith-
fully as it should have done this
winter, especially on some of the
cross streets, and the sidewalks—
well we've seen wider ones, and
even one got out from under the
snow earlier in the morning than
they've been doing lately. Onto
your jobs, fellows.

Day! Some of us got lost go-
ing home in the storm Tuesday
night. We've done it lots of
times when we depended upon
standard oil for the heat of our
stoves, but 20th century elec-
tric juice ought to be able to dif-
ferentiate between moon light
and Egyptian darkness. We have
said lots of nice things about our
electric lighting system in the
past and have had little occasion
to find fault, but Tuesday night
was an exception. With a light
snow more than a foot deep and
still snowing, it was the one night
of the winter when we should
have had lights. The moon was
dim but it did not shine. The
rest of us were due to go home
and we had to go. Just an over-
sight we presume, but please don't
let it happen again.

Bethel 4:40 A. M. is what the
Grand Trunk time table says con-
cerning No. 4, between Montreal
and Portland, and the man who
drove in from the country to con-
nect with that train last Monday
morning and found the station
darker than a streak of black cats
and the mercury registering sev-
eral looks and a scratch below
zero, but who was equal to the
emergency and soon got a dim
light and a cold fire alight to
the program, but who when he
heard the somewhat tardy train
approaching took his position up-
on the platform ready to board
with the least possible delay only
to see the heartless train roll by
without stopping should have had
a license to wear a sign language
in an unscriptural way, and be
probably thus used if license or
no license.

WATER PAY THE TOWN TAX.

I don't intend are the existing
conditions concerning water and
taxes in the pretty and prosper-
ous village of Farmington.

Among the public utilities of
this thriving Franklin County
town is an excellent water system,
owned by the village. The sys-
tem derived from the water sold
is sufficient to cover the entire
running expenses of the village
corporation and it becomes unne-
cessary to assess any tax upon the
property of the village. Think
of it village residents of Oxford
County! Think of it residents
of the Bethel & Cape Corporation!

Remember paying a good deal more
tax we are getting nearly as high
a rate of tax in our village
as is paid by some towns in Maine
and instead of our water system
helping our business by bring-
ing a stream to our treasury, as
it should if the corporation owned
the system as it should, we are
paying about \$1,000 per year in
a public corporation for the same

South Paris has gotten wise
and today owns one of the best
water systems in the State. Some-
day they will rejoice with Farm-
ington at a no tax condition. They
are in the 20th Century and build-
ing for the future, wisely and
well. Sad to relate, Bethel is
peering back into the 19th and
tying itself to 19th century con-
ditions by 20 year contracts. No
legislation for the children in
their program.

MORE ABOUT HATS.

The following item was taken
from The Youth's Companion.
There is nothing new in the prob-
lem of the large hats worn by women
for an old New England town a record
has been found which shows that in
1792 it was voted in town meeting
that the women should take off their
hats when in the meetinghouse and
hang them on pegs, as the men did.
It was not done through special respec-
t for the place, but in order that the
flicking might see whether the
wearing of the hats were asleep or
awake during the long sermons. But
it is also on record that there was great
difficulty in enforcing the law.

Just think how funny the Cit-
izen man felt to know that one
hundred and one years before he
was born, masculine men, by their
voices and by their votes, tried
to induce their better halves to
remove their obstructive millinery
when they entered the house of
Divine worship; when we had sup-
posed that the records of histo-
rians yet unborn would be peo-
sured by the world's students in
centuries beyond our ken, and
teach them that he was the im-
mortal figure of history, who
struck the initial chord in that
great movement toward reform,
which meant so much to those de-
vout, but unprivileged masculines,
who when they went to church
on Sunday, as their very natures
bade them do, though having eyes
could see not, and having tempers
could control them not, because
of hordes that could sing not, and
rhythms and feathers and frills
and gewgaws that could move
not, because pins and needles and
nails and spikes from eight inches
to several feet in length had
made them hopelessly a part of
the decoration of the heads of sev-
eral good sisters who had by
some mistake or other happened
to get right between said mascu-
lines and the pews.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

The explosion at Communipaw,
N. J., which killed more than a
score of persons and injured sev-
eral hundred others certainly was
a terrible disaster. While this cas-
ualty cannot now and probably
never will be accounted for, the
most probable theory is that it
was caused by an explosion of
gasoline on the pier or on a light-
er in the path of the laborers, who
were carrying boxes of dynamite.

When one stops to think that
this explosion was felt over an
area thirty miles square he gets
some idea of its terrific force.
Windows were shattered every-
where and it seemed like an earth-
quake.

Between the two cars of dya-
mite, each containing forty tons
of the explosive, stood a car load-
ed with cement. The contents of
the second car did not explode
although the sides of the car
were torn away and sticks of
the dynamite scattered. The ex-
planation given for this is that
a spark and shock must come to-
gether to explode dynamite and
that this condition probably did
not obtain in connection with the
second car.

The Only Way

I wish I knew how to keep a car
tight.
That was the way the way can help
you.
Does he understand an intelligent
method?
No, he's an amateur. Now
look here.

SOUTH PARIS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gray returned
Wednesday from their trip to Wash-
ington, D. C.
Miss Nellie Jackson of Portland is
with her aunt, Mrs. Louise J. Briggs,
for a short stay.

Mrs. W. W. Walker and son, Harold,
have returned to Portland after visit-
ing relatives here.

Mrs. E. W. Parley of West Paris is
spending a couple of weeks with her
daughter, Mrs. E. H. Herrick.

Miss Harriet Gray has gone to Hav-
ershill, Mass., for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Park return-
ed Monday, from Mexico, where they
were called by the death of Mr. Park's
father, Henry W. Park.

Mrs. D. A. Hall of Mechanic Falls,
Secretary of the Maine Universalist
Sunday School Convention visited the
Sunday School here, Sunday.

Next Sunday will be observed as
visitors Sunday, at the Congregational
Sunday School. Everyone who is not
a regular attendant is invited to be
present.

Daniel E. Dresser is at the C. M. G.
Hospital, at Lewiston, where he was
operated on for appendicitis, last Fri-
day.

Three young fellows from another
town, while in the jewelry store of
St. Richards got possession of a gold
watch case while Mr. Richards was
absent in the back room, on an errand.
When they undertook to dispose of it
at the jewelry store of P. A. Cole, at
Norway, it was recovered. Out of
consideration for the families the mat-
ter was not taken any farther.

Miss Eva Sweet has returned to Bos-
ton, to resume her studies at Simmons's
college.

There was a good attendance at the
good cheer supper and entertainment,
Tuesday evening. Music by the Lum-
ley Band, and a social completed the
evening program.

Monday afternoon, the Estepan
Club held its February meeting, with
Miss E. M. Wheeler, Meant was the
company studied and Mrs. Shattuck
was better. The fall program in
Magic State Oratorio, Phase Tidy
Mrs. Hurdson, Mrs. Wiggin, Mrs.
Daugherty.

Heavy Selected. Vocal Solo

Selected. Mrs. Wilson. Piano Solo

Feastants in C Minor. Piano Solo

Selected. Mrs. Bickell. Vocal Solo

Silently Blending. Vocal Solo

Selected. Mrs. Barrows. Piano Solo

Selected. Mrs. Merion, Mrs. Bailey. Vocal Solo

Selected. Miss Wheeler. Piano Solo

Selected. Miss Jackson. Piano Solo

Thursday and Friday evenings of
this week the comedy, "The Deacon's
Second Wife," will be presented at
New Hall, under the auspices of the
Paris High School Athletic Associa-
tion. The cast as follows:

Malvina Pitt, the Deacon's first wife,
Laura A. Willis

Deacon Barnabas Pitt, a Magnate in
spite of himself, Eugene F. Lowell

Milton Orange Washington Pitt, a good
specimen of Young America.

Ralph Andrews

Nancy Melvina Pitt, his sister, a class
second.

Maria Newton

Mrs. Brown, who is the "head in the
clouds."

Kate Bickell, the Deacon's "second
wife."

John D. Bickell, a capitalist of indus-
try.

Miss Bickell, his son. Lois E. Wells

Dorothy Bickell, an upstart society
girl.

Ida E. Dean

Hortley Bickell, author of "Why Bess
Loves The Farm."

Harold H. Danison

Brown Beach, about everything there
is.

Paul E. Clifford

Philip, changeable, professional pugilist
and amateur speculator.

Harry Throbb

CASTORIA

The Kid You Have Always Bought

Be sure the
Signature of J. C. Atkinson

WEST PARIS.

The remains of Charles Bean, Jr.,
was brought here from Portland, Sat-
urday. He was the son of Charles and
Anabelle (Swan) Bean, formerly of
Greenwood. Besides his parents he is
survived by one sister, Grace, and two
brothers, Samuel and Oliver, all of
Portland. The deceased was a great
sufferer from tuberculosis.

Mr. and Mrs. Will P. Danham of
Lynn, Mass., are guests of relatives
and friends in town.

Dr. Kings of Portland was in town,
Friday, in consultation with Dr. Wheel-
er, who is ill of diabetes.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Marshall of
Providence, R. I., are visiting the fam-
ily of George F. Marshall and Harold
Gerrish.

The Happy-Go-Lucky Club was do-
lightfully entertained at the home of
George L. Jackson on High street,
Thursday evening. First prizes were
won by G. L. Jackson and Miss Ricker.

Refreshments were served.

Mr. Luther M. Irish is soon to move
his family to Backfield, on account of
a change in the business management
of the mill owned by Irish Brothers
& Co. The Backfield mill comes under
the supervision of Mr. Irish and Mr.
Wardwell will remain at West Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Irish have a wide circle
of friends, who sincerely regret their
departure.

WEST BETHEL.

The Local Happenings as Told
by Our Special Reporter.

Merton Bean was in Gilead last Sun-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bean were with
Mrs. Bean's parents, O. D. Morrill and
wife, over Sunday.

The school closed last Friday, and a
very successful term has been taught
by Miss Minnie J. Wilson. The children
were very much pleased and their par-
ents very well satisfied.

Mrs. Kendall of Freeport is spending
a few days with her sister, Mrs. H. P.
Deacon.

Mrs. Fred Ordway was able to ride
out, last Saturday.

P. L. Ordway was in Gorham and
Bethel, last week.

Miss Cora Scribner was in Norway,
last Monday.

Henry Mills of Gorham, N. H., was
in town, last week.

O. E. Leighton of Gilead was in Bos-
ton, last week.

Elbridge Peabody has moved his
family into one of Mr. Springer's rents
and it at work for O. E. Leighton.

The friends of Harry Mills and wife
of Gorham, N. H., will be sorry to
learn of the misfortune of their little
boy, Richard, breaking his shoulder.

Mrs. Charles Cole is quite ill at this
writing.

T. W. Vashaw lost a horse one day
last week, by the falling of a tree
across the horse's back, killing him in-
stantly.

Frank Newell, who has been at work
for T. W. Vashaw, was at home a few
days last week.

Ventile Taylor, who has been at work
for Baker Thorne's, in Gorham is at
home with a sore finger. He is attend-
ed by Dr. J. H. Wight.

Miss Cora Scribner is at work for
the Danvers Sales Co.

Mrs. Lydia Morrill and Mrs. Naham
Scribner spent the day, Friday, with
their sons, Miss Mabel Scribner.

Morris Potomah of Portland spent
Sunday at W. W. Goodrich's.

Mr. Richards, who has been at work
for O. E. Leighton is quite sick, at
O. E. Morrill's.

Naham Scribner has returned from
a very pleasant visit to T. W. Vashaw
in Gorham. While there he visited
Mildred, N. H., where Mr. Vashaw
has a lumbering job, for the Berlin
Mill.

Before the Prosperity Wave.
Mr. Cyprian—What do you find the
hardest thing to raise on a farm?

Produce Cheapness—The interest on
the mortgage. Philadelphia Record.

CASTORIA.

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THINK IT OVER

Would the ablest business men in the country have
a bank account if there was no advantage or con-
venience in it? Would they have been able to
reach their present commanding position if they
had spent half their time worrying about the safe-
ty of the money they had made?

THE RUMFORD NATIONAL BANK

invites you to open an account as they did. The
same advantages they found in so doing will ac-
crue to you accept the invitation.

THE RUMFORD NATIONAL BANK,

RUMFORD, ME.

4 PER CENT. INTEREST.

THE CASUALTY COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Home Office, 52-54 William Street New
York City.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1910.

Stocks and Bonds, \$ 1,344,701.71

Cash in Office and Bank, 621,308.57

Agents' Balances, 637,812.01

Bills Receivable, 11,001.53

Interest and Rents, 17,019.15

Gross Assets, \$2,731,843.77

Deduct Items not admitted, 105,121.71

Admitted Assets, \$2,616,722.06

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1910.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 404,415.89

Unearned Premiums, 1,049,521.02

All other Liabilities, 162,802.86

Cash Capital, 750,000.00

Surplus over all Liabil-
ities, 250,181.75

Total Liabilities and Sur-
plus, \$2,616,722.06

FREELAND HOWE, Agent,
Norway, Maine.

2-9-31-11.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

A few Men's Black suits, 34 sizes,
were \$18 and \$16, now \$14 and \$12.
P. H. NOYES CO.

Send Lyon, the Jeweler, your broken
glasses; lenses replaced at short notice.
2-2-11.

Low prices make hard times easier
to bear.
P. H. NOYES CO.

H. H. Foster of Norway, whose large
stock of clothing was more or less
damaged by smoke, water and fire last
week starts a "Fire, Smoke and Water
Sale," next Saturday. See his ad., on
page 8.

Boys' long pant Suits, age 14, 15,
16, were \$7.50 and \$10, only \$3.00.
P. H. NOYES CO.

I have taken over from Chester
Wheeler the stock and good will of
Cows' Relief, Calves' Relief, Calf
Feeders, etc., and will sell the produce
of the farm. Big to state also that
I am making such liberal reductions on
far costs, as to cause all who like to
keep warm on a cold day to stand up
and take notice.

YOUNG,
Bethel, Maine.

From the price you may conclude
they are not good. Come and see for
yourself.

New Hamburg at
KING'S.

Youth's Overalls, age 15, 16, 17,
were \$7.50 and \$10, now \$3 and \$4.
P. H. NOYES CO.

Valentine's Day Feb. 14th. Have
you seen King's Use of Valentine's? All
kinds and prices.

French Topknots for Toppies at
KING'S.

Our values are big, our prices are
small.
P. H. NOYES CO.

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA.

84 William St., New York.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1910.

Mortgage Loans, \$ 65,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 7,770,444.56

Cash in Office and Bank, 302,369.53

Agents' Balances, 704,000.39

Bills Receivable, 157.54

Interest and Rents, 71,949.38

All other Assets, 691.81

Gross Assets, 9,030,812.06

Deduct Items not admitted, 4,023.74

Admitted Assets, 9,025,888.56

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1910.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 421,369.33

Unearned Premiums, 4,009,955.46

All other Liabilities, 205,409.16

Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 3,389,124.91

Total Liabilities and Sur-
plus, 9,025,888.56

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,
South Paris, Maine.

2-9-31.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION UNITED STATES BRANCH OF THE

PHOENIX ASSURANCE CO., LTD.
OF LONDON.

On the 31st Day of December, 1910.

The Amount of the U. S. De-
posit is \$ 310,000.00

The Assets of the Company in the U
S. are as follows:

Cash on hand and in the hands
of Agents or other per-
sons, \$ 166,824.13

Bonds owned by the Company
bearing interest at the rate
of per cent, secured
as follows:

State Bonds, Market value, 430,820.00

Municipal Bonds, Market
value, 604,820.00

Railroad Bonds, Market
value, 1,087,878.75

Stocks, Market value, 1,330.00

Debits otherwise secured, 1,705.25

Dobts for premiums, 44,121.00

All other Securities, 48,963.75

Total Assets, 68,072,211.54

LIABILITIES.

Losses adjusted and not
due, \$ 33,922.00

Losses unadjusted, 166,716.00

Fire, Smoke and Water

SALE!

ALL OF OUR STOCK OF

Men's Clothing and Furnishings

which went through our recent fire to be closed out at once. We will not move a single piece back into our new store. All our old stock must go. This is your opportunity to clothe yourself for the next few years. It's like finding money to buy clothes at the prices we have marked them.

EVERYTHING at 50 per cent. or less of FORMER PRICES.

The only damage is from smoke and water. We shall not sell anything damaged by fire. If we overlook anything that is burned and sell it, we ask you to bring it back and get your money in full. All goods sold strictly for cash and cannot be exchanged.

WINTER OVERCOATS

All have been pressed and are all right. If any show any damage, the prices will be less than the prices below, according to damage.

All the \$22.00 Overcoats are now	\$11.00
All the 20.00 Overcoats are now	10.00
All the 18.00 Overcoats are now	9.00
All the 15.00 Overcoats are now	7.50
All the 10.00 Overcoats are now	5.00
All the 8.00 Overcoats are now	4.00

All Raincoats and Top Coats at the same reduction.

Read the TROUSER PRICES

The \$5.00 Trousers are marked to	\$2.50
The 4.50 Trousers are marked to	2.25
The 4.00 Trousers are marked to	2.00
The 3.50 Trousers are marked to	1.75
The 3.00 Trousers are marked to	1.50
The 2.50 Trousers are marked to	1.25
The 2.00 Trousers are marked to	1.00
The 1.50 Trousers are marked to	.75
The 1.00 Trousers are marked to	.50
All that show damage at less prices.	

\$25.00 FUR COATS for	\$12.50
20.00 FUR COATS for	10.00
18.00 FUR COATS for	9.00

MEN'S SUITS

All Suits in good condition at one-half price or less. Some Coats and Vests with no trousers to match at gift prices. Think of Hart, Schaffner & Marx suits at one-half price. How can you help buying several suits? You would never know most of them from new suits fresh from the makers.

MEN'S SUMMER SUITS

which were packed away and were not even damp at exactly one-half price.

BOYS' SUITS

Here's where you can't help plunging.

Boys' \$6.00 Suits for	\$3.00
Boys' 5.00 Suits for	2.50
Boys' 4.50 Suits for	2.25
Boys' 4.00 Suits for	2.00
Boys' 3.50 Suits for	1.75
Boys' 3.00 Suits for	1.50
Boys' 2.50 Suits for	1.25
Boys' 2.00 Suits for	1.00

COAT SWEATERS

Here's your chance to pick from an immense stock for 1-2.

Underwear, Overshirts, Hosiery and all the rest of our stock at fractions of the former prices.

Sale Begins SATURDAY, Feb. 11th, at 7 A. M.

AT C. B. CUMMINGS' DOWEL MILL.

H. B. FOSTER,

NORWAY,

MAINE.

LOCAL HISTORY.

(Continued from page one).

Nehemiah, Jan. 4, 1761.
Paul, Nov. 23, 1762, died March 10, 1769, aged 27 years.

Dolly, Aug. 25, 1764.
Josiah, Aug. 23, 1766.
*AMOS, Sept. 13, 1768.
Mary, Oct. 23, 1770, died Jan. 12, 1810, aged 40.

Sarah, March 23, 1774.
*AMOS, born Sept. 13, 1768, married Mary Chase, born in West Newbury, Mass., Apr. 23, 1771.

They arrived in Bethel by ox-cart conveyance June 27, 1803. The land consisted of four children and Mary (Chase) Hills, the mother, to which number another child was very soon added but did not survive long. As the letters do not contain an inventory of the household goods the names and value of the several articles cannot here be stated nor can a description of the house into which they moved be given from reliable data. The farm lot was purchased of my maternal grandfather who spent two seasons in Bethel as a corn raiser at fifty cents per bushel when the seed was laid upon the surface of the ground among the tree stumps and earth pulled over the seed, thus making mounds about three feet in diameter, the soil being sufficiently rich to receive the seed and produce good crops without the aid of fertilizers.

COPY OF MAJ. HILLS' DEED FROM ELIJAH BOND.
March 14, 1803.

"Consideration \$1,000, Elijah Bond, (then of the part of Palmyra that in 1814 became the town of Westbrook, wife Sarah, daughter of Abram Russell of Bethel) joining, to Amos Hills of Newbury, housewright, Lot No. 25, 4th range, also another lot of 40 acres, No. 37, in first division of lots on the south side of the river drawn to Charles Richardson on the right of Samuel King."

Records have been copied so many times, one from another, sometimes from unreliable plans and crude prints, it is next to an impossibility to make a correct statement without a minute comparison, and this is exceeding laborious and expensive where recording places are so far apart as they are in matters of public affairs in Bethel and most of the towns of Maine.

September 24, 1824.

"Consideration \$1,500 Amos Hills to Joseph Ranbom, both of Bethel, conveyed land in Bethel as follows: Intervale lots No. 37 and 38, and 50 acres of common and undivided land drawn on the right of Ephraim Parker, adjoining the said Intervale lots, bounded as follows: Easterly by Jeddiah Burbank's land, southerly by said Burbank's land and Amos Gage's, westerly by Dr. John Grover's and Jeddiah Burbank's and northerly by the Androscoggin river, supposed to contain one hundred thirty acres.

(Signed)

Amos Hills.

Mary Hills.

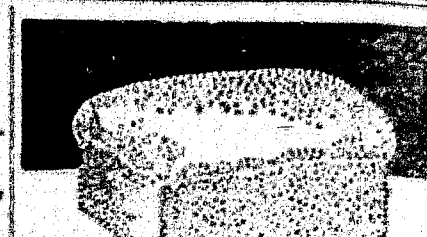
To arrive somewhere near the truth relative to the exact location and size of the Maj. Hill's farm lot it is necessary to examine the two preceding records together; the first joins the two lots at the ends, the united lots joined this way passing along southerly towards the westerly side of Bethel Hill, while the next unites the lots at the side line, making both join the Androscoggin river. Such "mixups" is the rule and not the exception found in the investigation of land titles all over.

The Maj. Hill's farm, now known as the Ranbom farm, is very fairly located, level land and very productive. The Ranbom mill met the residence on fire when both were destroyed some years since, but both have been rebuilt. The Ranbom mill was there in 1853. It is stated that the tree grove of trees now seen were set by the Ranboms to protect the residence in case of another fire but my impression is the grove had been commenced before the starting of the mill.

"Windham, Me., Thursday evening, June 9, 1865.

Now Howard and Richard Father—

In obedience to your wish I write these few lines, hoping they will find you all in health. You desired me to



All-Around Flour

Light, wholesome bread—fluffy pastry—cake that melts in your mouth—all out of one sack! That's William Tell Flour—equally good for every baking need. William Tell is the most economical flour, too—it makes more loaves to the sack than ordinary flour. That is because it is made from Ohio Red Winter Wheat—richest in bread making qualities. Order a sack from your grocer today.

William Tell Flour



IRA C. JORDAN, Bethel, Maine

Do you know on the way how we got along. We have not yet met with any difficulty. The roads are rocky some of the way, but no worse than I expected. For my part I bear riding very well. Last Monday and Tuesday I was almost sick with my old pain in the stomach but have recanted greatly since. Yesterday, I was quite smart. Today the weather has been so warm I am more weary than I was last night.

Mr. Hills is better than he was when we set out. The children have colds and are rather touchy, but upon the whole we get on very well; our oxen travel better than we expected. My courage is good, the further we go up into the country the better I like the people. We are now at Morrill's, Windham-Corner. The woman is very kind to us. It is now bedtime, so I subscribe myself your dutiful daughter,

Mary Hills.

The oldest of the four children of Maj. Hills who made the oxcart journey, was born March 17, 1794, who became the wife of Nathan F. Twitchell, one of Bethel's most active citizens. She was nine years of age the fourth, and youngest at the time the journey was made was named Rowena, aged two, who became the wife of Robert Ingalls of Bethel, N. H. She was born in Bethel, Aug. 27, 1807, became the wife of George Chapman, father to Algernon Sidney Chapman now residing near Bethel Hill.

(The word "first" appearing in the statement made last week that "Ben John Clark's children by his first wife were born and named as follows" should have been second wife.)

To be continued.

F. E. B.

We heard a man say the other morning that the abbreviation for February—Feb.—means Freeze every belly, and that man looked frozen in his utter.

It was apparent that he needed the kind of warmth that stays, the warmth that reaches from head to feet, all over the body. We could have told him from personal knowledge that Hood's Sarsaparilla gives permanent warmth. It invigorates the blood and speeds it along through artery and vein, and really fits men and women, boys and girls, to enjoy cold weather and resist the attacks of disease. It gives the right kind of warmth, stimulates and strengthens at the same time, and all its benefits are lasting. There may be a suggestion in this for you.

Didn't Know His Luck.
"You own an automobile, I say?"

"Yes, I would like to, but I've always been just a little too poor."

"Just a little too poor? Man you don't appreciate how lucky you are!"
Hester Transcript.

Force of Habit.
"But why do you put your finger things in the dining room?"

"Oh! he is used to restaurant—he won't enjoy his dinner unless he has his finger in it."—Looker's Counter-Journal.